

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) An information recording apparatus for recording content information on an information recording medium comprising a main information recording area on which main information to be reproduced is recorded, and a plurality of content information recording areas on which content information to be reproduced to indicate contents of said main information is recorded, said apparatus comprising:

a recording device for recording said content information on a first part of said plurality of content information recording areas;

a confirming device for confirming a recording result of said content information thus recorded on said first part; and

a control device for controlling said recording device, only when said recording result is confirmed to be successful, so that content information that is identical with said content information recorded on said first part of said content information recording areas can be recorded on a second part of said content information recording areas, and when said recording results is confirmed to be unsuccessful, so that content

information already recorded on the second part of said content
information recording areas is maintained, without recording, on
the second part of said content information recording areas, said
content information that is identical with said content
information recorded on said first part of said content
information recording areas.

2. (previously presented) The information recording apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein only when said recording result is confirmed to be successful, said control device repeatedly controls said recording device so that said content information that is identical with said content information recorded on said first part of said content information recording areas can be recorded on other parts of said content information recording areas until recording said content information on all parts of said content information recording areas is completed.

3. (original) The information recording apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said confirming device comprises:

 a temporarily storing device for temporarily storing information that is identical with said content information recorded;

 a detecting device for detecting said content information recorded from said content information recording areas; and

a judging device for judging the recording result by comparing said content information thus detected with the information stored in said temporarily storing device.

4. (previously presented) The information recording apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said content information recording areas exist at three parts in said information recording medium; and said recording device records said content information on only one of said content information recording parts per recording and confirmation.

5. (currently amended) An information recording method for recording content information on an information recording medium comprising a main information recording area on which main information to be reproduced is recorded, and a plurality of content information recording areas on which content information to be reproduced to indicate contents of said main information is recorded, said method comprising:

a recording process of recording said content information on a first part of said plurality of content information recording areas;

a confirming process of confirming a recording result of said content information thus recorded on the first part; and

a control recording process of controlling subsequent recording to other parts of the content information recording areas only when said recording result is confirmed to be

successful, so that content information that is identical with said content information recorded on said first part of said content information recording areas can be recorded on other parts of said content information recording areas, and when said recording results is confirmed to be unsuccessful, so that content information already recorded on the second part of said content information recording areas is maintained, without recording, on the second part of said content information recording areas, said content information that is identical with said content information recorded on said first part of said content information recording areas.

6. (previously presented) The information recording method according to Claim 5, wherein only when a last one of said recording result is confirmed to be successful, recording is repeatedly controlled during said process of controlling recording so that said content information that is identical with said content information recorded on the first part of said content information recording areas can be recorded on the other parts of said content information recording areas until recording said content information on all of said content information recording areas is completed.

7. (currently amended) An information recording apparatus for recording content information on an information recording medium with a program area for storing recorded main

information to be reproduced, and a UTOC area with plural content information recording clusters for recording and storing location information of recorded main information, the apparatus comprising:

 a recording device for recording the location information on a present cluster of the plural content information recording clusters;

 a confirming device for confirming, subsequent to recording on the present cluster and prior to recording on a next cluster of the plural content information recording clusters, a recording result of the location information thus recorded on the present cluster; and

 a control device for controlling the recording device to only allow a subsequent recording of the location information on the next cluster to when the recording result is confirmed to be successful by the location information being identical with location information recorded on a most recently recorded one of the plural content information recording clusters, and to maintain, when said recording results is confirmed to be unsuccessful, the location information already recorded on the present cluster, without allowing the subsequent recording of the location information on the next cluster.

8. (previously presented) The information recording apparatus of claim 7, wherein said confirming device comprises:

a temporarily storing device for temporarily storing information identical with the location information;

a detecting device for detecting the location information recorded from the clusters; and

a judging device for judging the recording result by comparing the detected location information with the temporarily stored information.

9. (previously presented) The information recording apparatus of claim 7, wherein there are three adjacent content information recording clusters.

10. (previously presented) The information recording apparatus of claim 8, wherein there are three adjacent content information recording clusters.

11. (previously presented) The information recording apparatus of claim 8, wherein when the recording result is judged unsuccessful in that the recorded result is not identical to the temporarily stored information, the control device stops further action of the recording device from recording to further ones of the content information recording clusters and executes an error suspension.

12. (previously presented) The information recording apparatus of claim 10, wherein when the recording result is judged unsuccessful in that the recorded result is not identical

to the temporarily stored information, the control device stops further action of the recording device from recording to further ones of the content information recording clusters and executes an error suspension.

13. (previously presented) The information recording apparatus of claim 12, wherein when the recording result after recording to a second of the clusters is judged unsuccessful, the three clusters are left with i) the location information stored in a first of the cluster, ii) an error indication stored in the second cluster, and iii) in a third cluster, other location information different from the location information stored in the first cluster.

14. (previously presented) The information recording apparatus of claim 12, wherein when the recording result after recording to a third of the clusters is judged unsuccessful, the three clusters are left with i) the location information stored in a first and a second of the clusters and ii) an error indication stored in the third cluster.